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John Ashcroft, Attorney General
US Department of Justice
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Dear Mr. Attorney General:

As a concerned citizen of this great nation, I am writing to give my support to the recent settlement between the Justice Department and Microsoft. This case against Microsoft has gone on far too long, and needs to end immediately. I use Microsoft products every day at work, and I rely on their reliability. Breaking the company up would compromise the integrity of their products, resulting in down-time at my job.

After reviewing the terms of the settlement, I find them to be amply fair and reasonable. Microsoft has agreed to design future versions of Windows to provide a mechanism to make it easy for computer makers, consumers, and software developers to promote non-Microsoft software programs that compete with programs included within Windows. Also, the company has agreed not to retaliate against computer makers who ship software that competes with anything in the Windows OS.

As you can see, Microsoft will not be getting a "sweetheart deal" by agreeing to this settlement. The government should accept the settlement that was reached, and move onto other matters like the Enron fiasco and terrorist threats.

Sincerely,

Rohi Puri